

Squatter Sovereign.

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To the Stockholders in Atchison, K. T.—At the last meeting of the Company it was resolved, that the next general meeting should be held at Atchison on Tuesday the 1st day of May, A. D. 1855. Notice of that meeting has been given, but as business of importance to all interested, will be transacted and a division of a portion of the lots, is intended, it is absolutely necessary for all to be present in person or by proxy, I hereby again notify all to be present at Atchison on the 1st day of May, A. D. 1855. The improvements undertaken by the Company, are in rapid state of completion, and the emigration across the plains is rapidly pouring into Atchison from the boats, and it now presents quite a business appearance, with two good ferries, in full operation crowded from morning until night by the overland emigration.

P. T. ABELL, President of Atchison Town Co.

Campaign of '56—Squatter Candidates.

At a meeting of the Squatters of Grand Nemaha, K. T., March 28th, Jas. Simpson was called on to preside, and Obed Olds was appointed Secretary. After some remarks from the Chair, and a neat and eloquent address from M. L. Parks, the following resolutions were introduced and unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That, in view of the untiring zeal and earnest devotion to the rights and interests of settlers on the public domain, exhibited by the Honorable DAVID R. ATCHISON, of Missouri, and his high qualifications, we most cordially submit his name to the People of the Union as their candidate for the Presidency in 1856.

Resolved, We nominate ISAAC TOUCY, of Connecticut, for the Vice Presidency in 1856.

Resolved, We recommend to our brother settlers in Kansas and Nebraska to call meetings and "put the ball in motion."

Resolved, The Squatter Sovereign and all other newspapers in the Territory, are requested to publish these proceedings.

Three cheers were then given for the Squatters' candidates—A. T. CHISON and TOUCY—and the meeting adjourned.

JAS. SIMPSON, Chairman.

Obed Olds, Secretary.

Freaching.

We received a letter last week from Rev. A. Monroe, Superintendent of the Methodist Church South through the hands of the Rev. Mr. Davis, who is now organizing the churches from this place to Nemaha. He informs us that Rev. Mr. McNealey will have charge of this place. Mr. McNealey is from St. Charles, and recently from Virginia. We can commend him as a gentleman of talent, a christian and sound on the "Goose." We shall hail his arrival with much pleasure, we are "as sheep without a shepherd."

St. Louis City Election.

The "Know Nothings" elected their entire ticket by about 1600 majority. The ticket, we understand, was brought out on the day of the election, the success of which speaks well for their manner of organization. Below will be found the list of officers elected.

For Mayor, Washington King; City Recorder, Charles F. Cady; Register, John Bryan; Auditor, Franklin P. Chiles; Comptroller, Ellsworth Miller; Treasurer, William Glasgow, Jr.; Marshal, John B. Higdon; City Attorney, Robert S. McDonald; Harbor Master, George Ransom; Supt. work House, William Lingo; Supt. Water Works, Joseph W. White.

Atchison a Starting Point.

Some of our neighboring contemporaries, seem to think light of the advantages presented by Atchison as the GREAT STARTING POINT for all emigrants westward. The Kansas Herald would like to make people believe that Atchison was as badly situated, as their favored town, for an outfitting point; but to those who have examined the two places, as have the Mormon Agent, such ideas will not be entertained. The following article from a New York city paper, called "the Mormon," shows the opinions entertained in that section of the country, as regards the best starting place for the California, Oregon, Utah and Salt Lake emigrants:

"THE LUMINARY" states that a company of Saints are going to start from Atchison, on the Missouri river. From very good information, we believe this to be the best starting point on the river for those going west, who go up the Missouri river. The road from there to Marysville, at the crossing of the Big Blue, is said to be good, dry and rolling, with plenty of wood and water. We would call the attention of Bros. Snow and Andrews to the above place—Marysville—as its neighborhood, we think, would be an eligible place for a settlement. Its distance from the Missouri river would make it healthy; there is plenty of wood and water; the rich bottoms of the Big Blue would yield abundant harvests, whilst its local position, on the main military road, would afford a good market for all that could be raised. It is about 120 miles from Atchison.

The Point of Outfit for our Spring Emigration.

Atchison is a new town situated on the western bend of the Missouri river, in Kansas Territory, about 500 miles from St. Louis. It is surrounded by immense grazing grounds, contains abundance of good water, and is considered a healthy situation; and we have decided after mature deliberation to make this the general outfitting point for our Spring Emigration.

Our Agent writes from Atchison under date of March 20th, and says: "We have located four claims about four miles from this place, where we can have a general camping ground. These claims embrace about three hundred and fifty acres of timber land, all black hickory, with some two hundred acres of beautiful prairie for farming. It is at the head of Deer creek, on high prairie land, where there is always a fine breeze, and is certainly a healthy location if one can be found within four miles of the Missouri river. The road from the Steamboat landing, except the first half mile, is upon high rolling prairie with a gradual ascent."

Atchison is about midway between Weston and St. Joseph, contains from five hundred to one thousand inhabitants, is said to be as well supplied with rock, coal, and timber as any region of the country. These and other substantial reasons have led us to give Atchison the preference to any other point with which we are acquainted, as an outfitting post for our emigration.

On Monday, March 12th, we shipped one hundred and seventy-five Danish Suits on the "Clara," in charge of P. O. Hanson with instructions to land at Atchison, but contrary to orders given, were landed at Weston, thirty miles short of their destination, and will be compelled consequently to reship to the point of outfit.

Elder Richard Ballantyne's company arrived on the morning of the 27th. About two hundred and fifty of which we shall reship as soon as possible to Atchison—St. Louis Luminary.

Mr. Vanderbilt has written to the New York Tribune a long letter about the Collins line of steamers, defending the President from any charge of bribery in vetoing the Collins appropriation bill, and declaring his willingness to carry the Atlantic mails in better steamers, for a much lower remuneration, and in twenty-four hours less average time for each trip, than Mr. Collins.

Mr. Samuel Dixon, has gone into the Forwarding and Commission business in this place. Any of our friends who may have freight to be shipped to this place, can rely on having it properly attended to by consigning it to Mr. Dixon.

A German named George Dashwood, having threatened to carve up a servant at the Irving House, New York, and drew his bowie knife for the purpose, was taken before the lower Police Court, and bound over to keep the peace.

Let us not be angry with men when we see them cruel, ungrateful, and forgetful of others; they are made so, 'tis their nature, 'tis quarrelling with the stones for falling to the ground, or with the fire for flying upwards.

PROHIBITORY LAW STATES.—The following is the list of States that have enacted laws entirely prohibiting the sale of intoxicating drinks for a beverage: Maine, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Vermont, Michigan, Wisconsin, Connecticut, and Indiana.

Lucy Stone is touching up the Canadians on the subject of Woman's Rights. Her lectures are acceptably received by her audiences.

It is said that the title of the presiding officer of a Know Nothing Lodge is the "Great Ignoramus."

An Irishman writing to a friend from the West, remarked—"Pork is so plenty here, that every third man you meet is a hog."

News from all Quarters.

"Since brevity's the soul of wit, We will be brief."

Feeding red pepper to hogs with their food, is said to be good for the kidney worm.

Col. Meredith P. Gentry is said to be the Know-Nothing candidate for Governor of Tennessee.

The Pacific Railroad has been completed to Washington, on the Missouri river.

Gen. Cass was greeted by a salute of thirty-two guns on his arrival at Detroit on the 7th.

A town in Western Massachusetts has elected a woman as a member of the school committee.

The emigration to Kansas Territory, is beginning to set in strongly from the South.

Strawberry Juleps are among the luxuries they were indulging in at New Orleans last week.

Spain Goods.—Our Merchants have made extensive preparations for a large supply of spring goods.

A beast of a negro has been arrested in Buffalo, says the Courier, for indecent appearances about school houses and other places.

Gov. Bigler in his message states that there are 60,000 Chinese in the State of California.

P. T. Barnum is lecturing in Worcester on the Art of Making Money.

SECRET SOCIETIES.—The Indiana State has passed a statute, prohibiting the organization of secret societies, the object of which is to deprive any one of religious or political rights.

MISSOURI RIVER.—A large number of boats are now running the Missouri river trade, and many of them find it impossible to accommodate the passengers for upper Missouri, Kansas and Nebraska. The river is said to be in good boating order.

INDIANOLA, is the name given to a town recently laid out on Soldier Creek, on the Government road leading from Fort Leavenworth to Fort Riley, about fifty miles from the Missouri river, and two from the Kansas.

A Frenchman attacked the Russian consul at New Orleans in his office on the 23d. The Frenchman got the worst of it and was besides calaboused.

It is said that 5000 Spanish troops will leave Madrid for Havana in May; and that the army at Havana is to be increased to 30,000 men.

On the 17th ult. a young man was tarred and feathered, and rode on a rail, at Greensboro, Georgia, because he had declared himself an abolitionist.

GEORGIA CURIOSITY.—A boy born in Greene county Georgia, about fifteen years of age, who has a head weighing over fifty pounds, measuring over thirty-six inches in circumference, and fourteen or fifteen inches from chin to back part of the head, is on exhibition at Augusta. He is accompanied by his mother, and is the only one of eight children that is deformed.

Nine thousand dollars in specie were left by a queer old colder, who died in Indiana lately, tied up in linen bags and concealed in various parts of his domicile. The deposits were described in a memorandum accidentally discovered, which bore the marks of age, and the bags are marked with dates of their concealment, all previous to 1831. The heirs are looking for more.

SQUATTER SOVEREIGN.—Is the name of a paper, lately started in Atchison K. T. by Stringfellow & Kelley. It is of good size and edited with marked ability, and advocates southern rights, against northern encroachments. Success to Squatter Sovereign.—Gallatin Sun.

The salary of the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States has been raised to \$6,500 per annum, and those of the Associate Justices to \$6,000 per annum.

A secret political organization has been organized in Ohio in opposition to the "Know Nothings," the members of which are called "Wild Cats." They are to have their grips, signs, passwords, &c.

The Richmond Whig states that John Mitchell, who longed for a plantation and slaves in Alabama is about to leave New York and remove with his family to Tennessee, being influenced to that step principally by a desire to raise his children in the South. His intention is to engage in farming.

In the past ten years nine sloops of twenty guns each, and four brigs and two schooners of ten guns each, have by casualty or decay been removed from the effective force of the United States navy, and not a single vessel has been built to replace them.

We make the world, and the world makes us. We dress the world in the drapery of our own thoughts and feelings, and then light from the world comes back to us, transmitted and colored through the drapery, so that a while the world is only a reflection of ourselves.

A cotemporary, in noticing the proposal to light the streets of a village with red-headed girls, says: "If we lived there we'd play tipsy every night, and hug the lamp-posts."

On Christmas night, six sisters were married in one house, in Somerset county, Pa., all by the same clergyman. Good—for the next census.

BRITISH VESSELS IN CUBAN WATERS.—The Diario de la Marina says: "The naval forces of H. B. M., which were in Cuban waters, are dividing with vessels of our squadron the duty of cruisers watching for the security of our coasts."

Theodore Parker stated in a lecture at Manchester, N. H., recently, that of the 147 German newspapers in the United States, all but five declared their hostility to every form of slavery.

Washington, March 26. Our Gulf Squadron is to be immediately augmented, and if any Spanish vessel hereafter overhauls or fires into an American vessel, she will be promptly chastised.

We have received two numbers of the "Squatter Sovereign," a very handsome weekly paper, just started at Atchison, Kansas Territory. It is nicely got up. It raises the name of Sen. Atchison for President, and Gen. Whitfield for Vice President. Messrs. Stringfellow and Kelley are the publishers and editors.—Detroit Times.

THE COLLINS LINE.—It is stated that Mr. Collins and his associates have adopted the model of their new vessel, designed to replace the Arctic, and to meet the opposition of the Persia (Cunarder). She will be 317 feet long, which is about 37 feet longer than the present ships, and the capacity of her cylinders and the power of her machinery will be 60 per cent. greater than those of any American steamship afloat. It is expected that she will cross the Atlantic from dock to dock in nine days.

Most of the Whig editors of Virginia are fighting valiantly in the know nothing ranks. The Lewisburg Chronicle, however, a sterling whig paper, refuses an alliance with the know nothings. It says: "If the whigs abandon their old organization, we will be left free to act as our judgment directs, which, as Hon. H. A. Wise is admirably qualified for the office he seeks, will influence us to favor his pretensions."

A FEW DAYS.—This seems to be all the rage at present. The Louisville Times thus takes it off, which suits this section exceedingly well:

"You present to a man a small account, he will pay in a few days; the river is expected to rise in a 'few days;' business is to be better in a 'few days;' pretty girls expect to marry in a 'few days;' nigger boys whistle a 'few days;' brass bands blow out a 'few days;' high fellows sing a 'few days;' and we expect to give the reader some interesting items in a 'few days.'"

IMPORTANCE OF ADVERTISING.—A merchant stepped into our office yesterday, and inquired for a neighboring county paper. After glancing through its columns for a few moments, he threw it down with almost an oath, and said, "Well, somebody is looser. I am trying to find the address of some lawer—, whom I wish to employ to collect a claim, which requires immediate attention. I can't find a single business card in this paper." There is no hidden moral in this little incident; and we thought as he left our office with a disappointed air,—is there any live man in this age of universal newspaper circulation, old fogey enough to believe there is no use in advertising? Is there?—Allon Telegraph.

Post Office Rules.

The following are some of the Rules of the Post Office, which are not generally known:

A postage stamp cut from a stamped envelope, cannot be used for postage.

A postmaster, under no circumstances, is allowed to open a letter not addressed to him.

When letters are misent, it is not lawful to charge postage for forwarding.

All newspapers having words written on or in them, are subject to letter postage. To entitle papers to be sent to bona fide subscribers at half a cent each, a full quarter's postage is required in advance.

It is improper for deputy postmasters to remove the wrappers of public documents franked by members of Congress.

No paper, or other thing, except bills or receipts of publishers, can be sent enclosed in a newspaper without subjecting the whole to letter postage.

Subscribers to a weekly newspaper in the county of its publication shall receive the same free of postage.

Bona fide subscribers to a weekly paper, whose post office is in an adjoining county, are allowed to receive papers published in a county in which they live, free of postage.

Any mark with a pen on a circular, such as date or anything of the kind, subjects it to letter postage.

Postmasters can make no deductions from the established rates under any circumstances whatever.

Postmasters are required to give notice to a publisher or editor when a subscriber refuses to take his paper from the office.

Printing Office Destroyed!

ABOLITIONISM REBUKED!! From the following Telegraphic Despatch, received at Weston, it will be seen that the Office of the "Luminary" has been destroyed; its editors ducked in the Missouri river, and promised a coat of tar and feathers, and a ride on a rail, if they do not leave the country in a few days. Verily, the way of the transgressor is hard!

PARKVILLE PLATTE CO. MO. April 14th, 1855.

A large number of the citizens of Platte County assembled here to day; sent a committee to Messrs. Parks and Patterson, informing them that at 12 o'clock they would throw their office. Precisely at twelve the crowd commenced pulling down the Luminary Press, and forming a line, with a man carrying a Pole at the head, with the word "Luminary" written on the top, over which, waved the HEMP flag; they marched to the river, where the press was deposited. Resolutions were read to the editors, Messrs. Parks and Patterson, requiring them to leave the place immediately. Patterson required to leave in three days, and Parks allowed three weeks to wind up his business. If they do not comply with the resolutions they were promised a coat of tar and feathers; and after being rode through the place on a rail, consigned to the Missouri river! Excitement great!

The Car, Nicholas, is indeed, dead, and his son, Alexander, has peaceably become the Emperor of Russia.

New Advertisements.

Platte City Cash Store, WOLFOLK & CO.

(Late of Weston, Platte county, Missouri.) HAVING been burnt out by the recent fire at Weston, and most of their stock on hand being destroyed, and one of the partners being in the Eastern cities purchasing goods, at the time of the fire, was telegraphed and bought an entire new, full and fine stock of

SPRING AND SUMMER GOODS, designed for the Western market, but not being able to procure a suitable store room, since the fire, we have determined to locate at the County Seat of Platte County.

PLATTE CITY, MO.; And have fitted up the Corner Room in Freshman's Three Story Brick Building, on Main Street, for the purpose.

Remember Freshman's Corner, Where we are now receiving and opening a large assortment of as fine goods as has ever been brought West, which we intend to sell at

LOW PRICES FOR CASH, AND COUNTRY PRODUCE & MARKETING as suits us. We did a Cash Business at Weston, and bought our stock all for cash, and we intend to sell 50 CENTS CHEAP, that those who have money will be compelled to trade with us. We have been raised in the dry goods business, and think we can buy goods as cheap as any body, and we intend to sell cheaper than any one can afford who sells on a credit.

Our stock is entirely new, large and complete and we invite all visiting Platte City to come and see us. We don't intend to keep our goods; we intend to sell them, and it is no trouble to show goods.

Besides many articles too numerous to mention, our stock embraces the following, viz: Brown Cottons, all widths—3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 366, 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 379, 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386, 387, 388, 389, 390, 391, 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 400, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 468, 469, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 480, 481, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494, 495, 496, 497, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554, 555, 556, 557, 558, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576, 577, 578, 579, 580, 581, 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588, 589, 590, 591, 592, 593, 594, 595, 596, 597, 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 606, 607, 608, 609, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 615, 616, 617, 618, 619, 620, 621, 622, 623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 629, 630, 631, 632, 633, 634, 635, 636, 637, 638, 639, 640, 641, 642, 643, 644, 645, 646, 647, 648, 649, 650, 651, 652, 653, 654, 655, 656, 657, 658, 659, 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669, 670, 671, 672, 673, 674, 675, 676, 677, 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 683, 684, 685, 686, 687, 688, 689, 690, 691, 692, 693, 694, 695, 696, 697, 698, 699, 700, 701, 702, 703, 704, 705, 706, 707, 708, 709, 710, 711, 712, 713, 714, 715, 716, 717, 718, 719, 720, 721, 722, 723, 724, 725, 726, 727, 728, 729, 730, 731, 732, 733, 734, 735, 736, 737, 738, 739, 740, 741, 742, 743, 744, 745, 746, 747, 748, 749, 750, 751, 752, 753, 754, 755, 756, 757, 758, 759, 760, 761, 762, 763, 764, 765, 766, 767, 768, 769, 770, 771, 772, 773, 774, 775, 776, 777, 778, 779, 780, 781, 782, 783, 784, 7